Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 09 Mar 2024 until 23:59 on Sunday 10 Mar 2024

Forecast Issued on Friday 08 Mar 2024 at 14:20 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for cloudy but mainly settled weather to persist for the next five days, with occasional light showers.

Headline for Saturday 09 Mar 2024: Cloudy but mainly dry morning. Outbreaks of rain or summit snow afternoon and evening. Feeling very cold and windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 09 Mar 2024

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Fog	Dull	Dull	Dull	Light snow	Dull	Light snow
Precipitation probability							
10%	60%	60%	40%	50%	60%	60%	60%

Forecast for Saturday 09 Mar 2024

Weather: Cloudy and feeling very cold with strong easterly wind. Mostly dry in the morning with perhaps a few brief cloud breaks. Cloud thickening through the afternoon and evening with outbreaks of rain or summit snow above 400-500m.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60% in the morning, the best chances in the north such as towards Ben Rinnes or Carrbridge, falling to less than 20%.

Low cloud and visibility: Broken cloud bases to 400m, becoming more extensive and persistent through the afternoon and evening, visibilities falling poor in mist, hill fog or outbreaks of drizzle or light snow flurries at height.

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Forecast for Saturday 09 Mar 2024

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	37/48 E	34/43 E	34/45 E	39/51 E	36/48 E	31/41 E	31/41 E	33/44 E	30/41 E
900	32/39 SE	28/35 E	27/34 E	32/41 E	30/39 E	25/33 E	25/33 E	30/39 E	25/34 E
600	11/18 E	12/17 NE	14/20 NE	19/27 E	18/26 E	16/24 E	15/22 E	17/25 E	15/22 E
300	10/22 E	9/19 E	8/20 E	11/24 E	10/23 E	10/22 E	8/19 E	9/21 E	8/19 E
Glen	3/16 E	3/15 E	3/15 E	4/17 NE	6/18 E	5/17 E	4/16 E	4/16 E	3/14 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-7/-18	-7/-18	-7/-18	-6/-18	-5/-16	-5/-15	-5/-15	-5/-15	-6/-15
900	-3/-12	-4/-12	-4/-13	-3/-13	-2/-11	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-11	-3/-10
600	-1/-6	-2/-7	-1/-7	-1/-8	0/-6	0/-5	0/-6	-0/-6	-0/-6
300	1/-4	0/-4	0/-4	2/-2	4/-0	3/-0	2/-1	2/-2	2/-2
Glen	1/-2	0/-2	-0/-2	1/-2	3/0	4/2	3/0	2/-0	1/-1
Freezing Level*	300m	200m	300m	300m	500m	600m	500m	500m	500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

A dull day with strong winds will give a bitterly cold feel. Gusts over 45mph on the highest summits may give difficult and tiring walking conditions.

Forecast for Sunday 10 Mar 2024

Weather: Once again cloudy with scattered showers of rain or summit snow above 500-600m. Again feeling bitterly cold in a strong easterly wind.

Maximum wind: Mean speeds 25-35mph with gust 45-50mph on the highest peaks.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Less than 20%

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive persistent low cloud with bases 300-400m and outbreaks of rain or summit snow bringing poor visibility

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1 to plus 4 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 3 to 0 Celsius
Freezing level: 600m

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